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INTRODUCTION

This document provides summaries and current statuses of the bills introduced in the 117th Congress that address regulatory reform (i.e., bills that affect agency rulemaking and adjudication processes).

Entries are in reverse chronological order based on the date the bill was introduced into Congress, although House and Senate versions of the same bill are listed together based on the most recent introduction date. Links to relevant committee reports are also provided where available, and summaries frequently draw from the bill summaries provided by the Congressional Research Service, available on [Congress.gov](https://www.congress.gov).

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S.2630 – Environmental Justice Act of 2021 Link	Sen. Booker, Cory [D-NJ]	Date Introduced August 5, 2021 Most Recent Action Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.	Summary not yet posted.
H.R. 4877 – One Stop Shop for Small Business Compliance Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Delgado, Antonio [D- NY-19]	Date Introduced July 30, 2021	Summary not yet posted.
H.R.4867 - To direct the chief information officer of each agency to increase efforts to manage data centers, and for other purposes. Link	Rep. Cline, Ben [R-VA-6]	Date Introduced July 30, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform.	Summary not yet posted.
H.R.4818 - To amend title 5, United States Code, to establish a National Digital Reserve Corps to help address the digital and cybersecurity needs of Executive agencies, and for other purposes. Link	Rep. Gonzales, Tony [R-TX- 23]	Date Introduced July 29, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform.	Summary not yet posted.

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H.R.4688 – Federal Agency Customer Experience Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	Date Introduced July 26, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform.	Summary not yet posted.
H.R.4468 – AI for Agency Impact Act Link	Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-12]	Date Introduced July 16, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform.	Summary not yet posted.
H.R.4448 – Administrative Law Judges Competitive Service Restoration Act Link	Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	Date Introduced July 16, 2021 Most Recent Action Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.	Summary not yet posted.
H.R.4434 – Ensuring Accountability in Agency Rulemaking Act Link	Rep. Cline, Ben [R-VA-6]	Date Introduced July 16, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.	Summary not yet posted.
S.2279 - Independent Agency Regulatory Analysis Act Link	Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	Date Introduced June 24, 2021 Most Recent Action Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.	Summary not yet posted.

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S.2278 - Regulatory Accountability Act Link	Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	Date Introduced June 24, 2021 Most Recent Action Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.	Summary not yet posted.
H.R.4132; S.2239 - Unnecessary Agency Regulations Reduction Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Donalds, Byron [R-FL-19] Sen. Scott, Rick [R-FL]	Date Introduced June 24, 2021 Most Recent Actions H.R.: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned. S.: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.	Summary not yet posted.
S.2221 - END CRT Act Link	Sen. Cruz, Ted [R-TX]	Date Introduced June 24, 2021 Most Recent Action Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.	Summary not yet posted.

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<p>H.R.4047 - Cutting Unnecessary Regulatory Burdens Act Link</p> <p>H.R.3204 - One In, Two Out Act Link</p>	<p>Rep. Franklin, C. Scott [R-FL-15] Rep. McCaul Michael T. [R-TX-10]</p>	<p>Date Introduced June 22, 2021</p> <p>Most Recent Actions H.R.4047: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.</p> <p>H.R.3204: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.</p>	<p>H.R.4047: Summary not yet posted.</p> <p>H.R.3204: This bill requires federal agencies to repeal certain existing rules prior to issuing a new rule. Specifically, the bill prohibits an agency from issuing a rule that imposes a cost or responsibility on a nongovernmental person or a state or local government unless it repeals two or more related rules. Additionally, an agency may not issue a major rule that imposes such a cost or responsibility unless (1) the agency has repealed or revised two or more related rules, and (2) the cost of the new rule is less than or equal to the cost of the rules being repealed or revised. (Generally, a major rule is one likely to result in an annual economic impact of \$100 million or more, a major increase in costs, or significant adverse effects on competition or investment.)</p>
<p>S.2135 - Wasteful Federal Programs Reduction Authorization Act Link</p>	<p>Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]</p>	<p>Date Introduced June 17, 2021</p> <p>Most Recent Action Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.</p>	<p>Summary not yet posted.</p>

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S.2074 – Prove It Act of 2021 Link	Sen. Ernst, Joni [R-IA]	Date Introduced June 16, 2021 Most Recent Action Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.	This bill authorizes the Small Business Administration (SBA) to request a review of any federal agency certification that a proposed rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The request must explain why the SBA disagreed with the certification and provide a factual basis for the statement. If it is determined, after agency review and reconsideration, that the proposed rule will have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities, the agency shall then perform an initial regulatory flexibility analysis for the rule.
H.R.3716 - Children's Protection Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-12]	Date Introduced June 4, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.	Summary not yet posted.

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<p>H.R.3609; S.1934 - Trust in Public Service Act</p> <p>Link</p>	<p>Rep. Loudermilk, Barry [R-GA-11]</p> <p>Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]</p>	<p>Date Introduced May 28, 2021</p> <p>Most Recent Action H.R.: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Appropriations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.</p> <p>S.: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.</p>	<p>This bill incorporates customer experience as a central measure of performance for federal agencies.</p> <p>In addition, the OMB must issue guidance for agencies in collaboration with specified entities. It may establish programs that annually recognize individuals and teams across the federal workforce meeting customer service-related goals.</p> <p>The bill (1) integrates customer experience provisions into the U.S. code and the Federal Citizen Services Fund, (2) directs the OMB to establish an Office of Customer Experience, and (3) integrates customer experience into the responsibilities of key agency officials.</p> <p>The OMB, in coordination with the Office of Customer Experience, must establish the Participatory Government and Civic Dialogue Advisory Council.</p>
<p>H.R.3494 - Separation of Powers Restoration Act of 2021</p> <p>Link</p>	<p>Rep. Fitzgerald, Scott [R-WI-5]</p>	<p>Date Introduced May 25, 2021</p> <p>Most Recent Action Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.</p>	<p>This bill modifies the scope of judicial review of agency actions to authorize courts reviewing agency actions to decide de novo (i.e., without giving deference to the agency's interpretation) all relevant questions of law, including the interpretation of (1) constitutional and statutory provisions, and (2) rules made by agencies.</p>

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H.R.3270 - Protecting Jobs and Wages from Regulations Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Burchett, Tim [R-TN-2]	Date Introduced May 17, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.	This bill revises and expands the requirements for federal agency rulemaking by requiring agencies, in making a rule, to base all preliminary and final factual determinations on evidence and to consider the legal authority under which the rule may be proposed, the specific nature and significance of the problem the agency may address with the rule, any reasonable alternatives for the rule, and the potential costs and benefits associated with such alternatives.
S.1619 - Reduce Bureaucracy Act Link	Sen. Ernst, Joni [R-IA]	Date Introduced May 13, 2021 Most Recent Action Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.	Summary not yet posted.
H.R.3045 - No Regulation Through Litigation Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Good, Bob [R-VA-5]	Date Introduced May 7, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.	Summary not yet posted.
H.R.2994 - Accountability for Acting Officials Act Link	Rep. Porter, Katie [D-CA-45]	Date Introduced May 4, 2021 Most Recent Action Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.	This bill makes a series of changes with respect to the appointment, tenure, and qualifications of acting officials of executive agencies.

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S.1353 - Advancing American AI Act Link	Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	Date Introduced April 22, 2021 Most Recent Action Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.	Summary not yet posted.
H.R.2779 - ALERT Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Good, Bob [R-VA-5]	Date Introduced April 22, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.	Summary not yet posted.
H.R. 2726 - VA FOIA Reform Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	Date Introduced April 21, 2021 Most Recent Action Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.	This bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to establish and implement a plan for reducing its backlog of requests under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). The VA must request that the Office of Government Information Services of the National Archives and Records Administration conduct an

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			assessment of the VA's compliance with FOIA. Finally, the VA must submit an annual report on its FOIA compliance efforts and make such reports available on its website.
H.R.2708; S.1247 - Sunshine for Regulatory Decrees and Settlements Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Spartz, Victoria [R-IN-5] Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	Date Introduced April 20, 2021 Most Recent Actions H.R.: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary S.: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.	Summary not yet posted.
S.1250 - REVIEW Act of 2021 Link	Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]	Date Introduced April 20, 2021 Most Recent Action Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.	This bill prohibits a final agency rule from taking effect until (1) the agency submits the rule to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), and (2) OIRA makes a determination as to whether the rule is a high-impact rule that may impose an annual cost on the economy of at least \$1 billion. In addition, an agency must postpone the effective date of a high-impact rule until the final disposition of all actions seeking judicial review of the rule.

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<p>S.1252 - RED Tape Act of 2021 Link</p> <p>H.R. 662 - Government Red-Tape Reduction Act Link</p>	<p>Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK] Rep. Posey, Bill [R-FL-8]</p>	<p>Date Introduced April 20, 2021</p> <p>Most Recent Actions S.: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.</p> <p>H.R.: Referred to the Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law.</p>	<p>S.: This bill prohibits, with certain exceptions, a federal agency from issuing a rule that causes a new financial or administrative burden on businesses or people in the United States unless the agency has repealed or amended two or more existing rules causing such a burden and the cost of the rule to be issued is less than or equal to that of the rules repealed or amended. In determining whether to repeal such a rule, an agency must consider (1) whether the rule has achieved its purpose, has become obsolete, or overlaps with a rule to be issued; (2) any adverse effects that could materialize if the rule is repealed; and (3) whether the costs of the rule outweigh its benefits.</p> <p>H.R.: This bill requires federal agencies to identify three rules that the agency is repealing for any proposed new rule; unless, the proposed rule is required by statute.</p>
<p>H.R.2577 - Article I Regulatory Budget Act Link</p>	<p>Rep. Good, Bob [R-VA-5]</p>	<p>Date Introduced April 15, 2021</p> <p>Most Recent Action Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, the Judiciary, Oversight and Reform,</p>	<p>Summary not yet posted.</p>

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		and Small Business, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.	
H.R.2199; S.925 - Federal Agency Sunset Commission Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Cloud, Michael [R-TX-27] Sen. Scott, Rick [R-FL]	Date Introduced March 26, 2021 Most Recent Action H.R.: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned. S.: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.	This bill establishes a Federal Agency Sunset Commission. The Commission's duties, among other things, include establishment of an agency review and abolishment schedule, review of agency efficiency, and regular reports to Congress.
H.R.2212 - Pandemic Preparedness, Response, and Recovery Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Foxx, Virginia [R-NC-5]	Date Introduced March 26, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the	This bill establishes in the legislative branch the Pandemic Preparedness, Response, and Recovery Commission to make recommendations and propose legislation for modification, consolidation, harmonization, or repeal of regulations to reduce

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		Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.	compliance costs, encourage growth and innovation, improve competitiveness, and protect public safety.
H.R.2251; S.969 - Coronavirus Regulatory Repeal Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Roy, Chip [R-TX-21] Sen. Paul, Rand [R-KY]	Date Introduced March 26, 2021 Most Recent Action H.R.: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned. S.: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.	This bill repeals or modifies any agency rule that is temporarily waived or modified during the COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) public health emergency, subject to a review process. The bill specifies procedures for Congress and the heads of agencies to analyze, review, and recommend whether the waiver or modification of a rule should continue and such waiver or modification expires only if a law is enacted in accordance with a recommendation that the rule be reinstated when the emergency period ends.
H.R.2105 - TRADES Act Link	Rep. Rosendale Sr., Matthew M. [R-MT-At Large]	Date Introduced March 19, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.	This bill enacts as law the regulations published by the Department of Labor, entitled “Apprenticeship Programs, Labor Standards for Registration, Amendment of Regulations”, in part 29 of title 29, Code of Federal Regulations.

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S.857; H.R.2043 - PLUM Act Link	Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE] Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-12]	Date Introduced March 18, 2021 Most Recent Action S.: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. H.R.: Ordered to be Reported in the Nature of a Substitute (Amended) by Voice Vote.	This bill requires the Director of the Office of Personnel Management to establish and maintain a public directory of the individuals occupying Government policy and supporting positions.
S.818 - Sunshine in the Courtroom Act of 2021 Link	Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	Date Introduced March 18, 2021 Most Recent Action Committee on the Judiciary. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.	This bill establishes a framework to allow federal court proceedings—in district courts, in circuit courts, and at the Supreme Court—to be photographed, recorded, broadcast, or televised. Specifically, it authorizes the presiding judge to permit media coverage of court proceedings, subject to requirements and limitations.
S.807 - Cameras in the Courtroom Act Link H.R. 4257 - To permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings. Link	Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL] Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	Date Introduced March 17, 2021 Most Recent Action S.: Committee on the Judiciary. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably. H.R.: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.	S.: This bill requires the Supreme Court to permit television coverage of all open sessions of the Court unless it decides by majority vote that allowing such coverage in a particular case would violate the due process rights of any of the parties involved. H.R.: Summary not yet posted.

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S.790; H.R.1930 - Federal Advisory Committee Transparency Act Link	Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH] Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-12]	Date Introduced March 17, 2021 Most Recent Action S.: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. H.R.: Ordered to be Reported in the Nature of a Substitute (Amended) by Voice Vote.	This bill amends the Federal Advisory Committee Act to increase the transparency of Federal advisory committees.
H.R.1920 - PROVE IT Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Graves, Garret [R-LA-6]	Date Introduced March 16, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law.	This bill requires agencies, when publishing a final major rule and biennially thereafter, to assess the impact of the rule on regulated entities, determine how the actual benefits and costs of the rule have varied from those anticipated, and assess the effectiveness of the rule at meeting its regulatory objectives. If an agency determines that the cost to regulated entities has exceeded the anticipated cost, then the agency must assess and report whether the rule is meeting its objectives and whether the rule is necessary. Further, in such case, the agency

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			must reopen the public comment period for 60 days and consider modifications or alternatives to the rule.
S.742 - Open and Responsive Government Act of 2021 Link	Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	Date Introduced March 15, 2021 Most Recent Action Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.	This bill modifies the exemption for trade secrets and commercial or financial information in the Freedom of Information Act.
S.664 - Duplication Scoring Act of 2021 Link	Sen. Paul, Rand [R-KY]	Date Introduced March 10, 2021 Most Recent Action Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.	This bill requires the Comptroller General of the United States to review certain legislation in order to identify potential risks of overlap with existing Federal programs, offices, and initiatives.
S.636 - Billion Dollar Boondoggle Act of 2021 Link	Sen. Ernst, Joni [R-IA]	Date Introduced March 9, 2021 Most Recent Action Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders.	This bill directs the Office of Management and Budget to issue guidance requiring federal agencies to report annually to Congress regarding certain federally funded projects that are (1) more than five years behind schedule, or (2) have expenditures that are at least \$1 billion more than the original cost estimate for the project.

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S.628; H.R.1605 - GOOD Act Link	Sen. Johnson, Ron [R-WI] Rep. Comer, James [R-KY-1]	Date Introduced March 9, 2021 Most Recent Action S.: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. H.R.: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform.	This bill is designed to increase access to agency guidance documents by requiring them to be posted on a single website.
S.629; H.R.1702 - GAO Database Modernization Act of 2021 Link	Sen. Scott, Rick [R-FL] Rep. Murphy, Stephanie N. [D-FL-7]	Date Introduced March 9, 2021 Most Recent Action S.: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably. H.R.: Referred to the Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law.	This bill requires federal agencies to report to the Government Accountability Office certain information about agency rules that are made ineffective due to an agency action or other reason.
H.R.1507; S.522 - Providing Accountability Through Transparency Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Luetkemeyer, Blaine [R-MO-3] Sen. Lankford, James [R-OK]	Date Introduced March 2, 2021 Most Recent Action H.R.: Referred to the Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law.	This bill requires the notice of a proposed rule by a federal agency to include the internet address of a summary of the rule. The summary must be 100 words or fewer, written in plain language, and posted on regulations.gov.

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		S.: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders.	
H.R.1508; S.533 - Guidance Clarity Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Luetkemeyer, Blaine [R-MO-3] Sen. Lankford, James [R-OK]	Date Introduced March 2, 2021 Most Recent Actions H.R.: Committee Consideration and Markup Session Held. S.: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.	This bill requires a guidance clarity statement—a statement that the document does not have force of law—on certain agency guidance.
H.R.969 - Freedom from Regulations Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Budd, Ted [R-NC-13]	Date Introduced February 11, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law.	This bill requires independent regulatory agencies to comply with the requirements applicable to regulatory actions by other federal agencies, including the rulemaking process under the Administrative Procedure Act.
H.R.968 - Lessening Regulatory Costs and Establishing a Federal Regulatory Budget Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Budd, Ted [R-NC-13]	Date Introduced February 11, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform.	This bill establishes procedures and provides statutory authority to reduce the number of federal regulations. Specifically, it requires each agency to establish a regulatory reform task force charged with identifying regulations that are appropriate for repeal and replacement.

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			<p>The bill further provides statutory authority for the executive order prohibiting agencies from issuing a new regulation with an economic impact of at least \$100 million without identifying two regulations for repeal that will offset the cost of the proposed new regulation.</p> <p>Additionally, the Office of Management and Budget must establish an annual regulatory budget for each federal agency that specifies the net allowable increase in regulatory costs for each agency during the next fiscal year.</p>
H.R.964 - Establishing Public Accountability Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Arrington, Jodey C. [R-TX-19]	<p>Date Introduced February 11, 2021</p> <p>Most Recent Action Referred to the Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law.</p>	This bill requires the Environmental Protection Agency to include a statement regarding the net gain or loss of domestic jobs that is likely to result if a rule is adopted, as well as the accompanying analysis, in the notice of proposed rulemaking.
H.R.893 - Court Shopping Deterrence Act Link	Rep. Rose, John W. [R-TN-6]	<p>Date Introduced February 5, 2021</p> <p>Most Recent Action Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet.</p>	This bill gives the U.S. Supreme Court exclusive jurisdiction to hear appeals from a nationwide injunction issued by a U.S. district court.

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H.R.849 - Scientific Integrity Act Link	Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	<p>Date Introduced February 4, 2021</p> <p>Most Recent Action Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.</p>	<p>This bill revises provisions regarding the release of scientific research results by federal agencies.</p> <p>Each agency that funds, conducts, or oversees scientific research must: adopt a scientific integrity policy, submit the policy to the Office of Science and Technology Policy, make the policy publicly available, and submit the policy to Congress.</p> <p>Also, each agency shall (1) appoint a Scientific Integrity Officer, (2) establish a process for dispute resolution, and (3) establish an employee training program.</p>
H.R.814 - Union Accountability Act Link	Rep. Hern, Kevin [R-OK-1]	<p>Date Introduced February 4, 2021</p> <p>Most Recent Action Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform.</p>	<p>This bill nullifies the executive order titled <i>Protecting the Federal Workforce</i>, which was issued on January 22, 2021.</p> <p>The order revoked previous executive orders concerning federal-employee collective bargaining and classifications.</p> <p>The order also instructs agencies to engage in collective bargaining negotiations over certain non-mandatory subjects and requires the Office of Personnel Management to provide the President with recommendations to promote a minimum wage of \$15 an hour for federal employees.</p>

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H.R.766 – TAILOR Act Link	Rep. Loudermilk, Barry [R-GA-11]	Date Introduced February 3, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.	The bill requires Federal financial institutions and regulatory agencies to take risk profiles and business models of institutions into account when taking regulatory actions.
S.170; H.R.701 - Unfunded Mandates Accountability and Transparency Act Link	Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH] Rep. Foxx, Virginia [R-NC-5]	Date Introduced February 2, 2021 Most Recent Action Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.	<p>This bill revises rulemaking requirements with respect to unfunded mandates.</p> <p>Specifically, the bill requires federal agencies to prepare and publish in the Federal Register a regulatory impact analysis prior to promulgating any proposed or final major rule. The analysis must include regulatory alternatives to the rule.</p> <p>The bill also prohibits Congress from considering a bill that increases private sector costs more than a certain amount unless certain conditions are met.</p>
H.R.644 - REBUILD Act Link	Rep. Calvert, Ken [R-CA-42]	Date Introduced February 1, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.	This bill sets forth a process to authorize states to assume the environmental review responsibilities of federal agencies. Specifically, it allows states to oversee the environmental review required under certain federal environmental laws for projects funded by, carried out by, or subject to approval by federal agencies.

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S.84 - Write the Laws Act Link	Sen. Paul, Rand [R-KY]	Date Introduced January 28, 2021 Most Recent Action Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.	This bill prohibits an act of Congress from containing any delegation of legislative powers. Any act of Congress, presidential directive, adjudicative decision, rule, or regulation that is enacted 90 days or more after this bill's enactment and is noncompliant with this bill shall have no force or effect.
S.68 - Regulations from the Executive in Need of Scrutiny Act of 2021 Link	Sen. Paul, Rand [R-KY] Rep. Cammack, Kat [R-FL-3]	Date Introduced January 27, 2021 Most Recent Action Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.	This bill revises provisions relating to congressional review of agency rulemaking. Specifically, the bill establishes a congressional approval process for both major and nonmajor rules. A nonmajor rule may only take effect if Congress does not disapprove of the rule.
H.R.415 - To amend chapter 7 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that in the case of an agency that appeals the ruling of a court under that chapter, and does not prevail on appeal, the court shall award the prevailing party reasonable attorney's fees and costs, and for other purposes. Link	Rep. Posey, Bill [R-FL-8]	Date Introduced January 21, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law.	This bill revises requirements governing judicial review of federal agency action. If an agency does not prevail in an appeal of a court ruling, then the court must award the prevailing party reasonable attorney's fees and costs. The award must be paid out of the administrative budget of the office in the agency that filed the appeal.

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H.R.418 - Article I Restoration Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Posey, Bill [R-FL-8]	Date Introduced January 21, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law.	This bill requires any covered rule issued by an executive agency after this bill's enactment to sunset three years after its effective date unless specifically reauthorized by Congress. An agency may not reissue, enforce, revise, or take other regulatory action related to a covered rule that has sunset. If the agency that issues covered rules wants to request a reauthorization for such rules, such agency shall, one year before the rule is scheduled to sunset, submit a report to Congress.
H.R. 302 - PPSA Act Link	Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	Date Introduced January 13, 2021 Most Recent Action Ordered to be Reported in the Nature of a Substitute (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 22 – 18 (by the Committee on Oversight and Reform).	This bill prohibits executive agency positions in the competitive service from being placed in the excepted service, unless such positions are placed in Schedules A through E as in effect on September 30, 2020. The bill also prohibits positions in the excepted service from being placed in any schedule other than the aforementioned schedules.
H.R.111 - Federal Sunset Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Hudson, Richard [R-NC-8]	Date Introduced January 4, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform.	This bill abolishes a federal agency one year after it is reviewed by the Federal Agency Sunset Commission, established by the bill, unless the agency is reauthorized by Congress. Each agency, including each advisory committee, must be reviewed by

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			the commission at least once every 12 years.
H.R.61 - Midnight Rules Relief Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Biggs, Andy [R-AZ-5]	Date Introduced January 4, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law.	This bill allows Congress to disapprove multiple regulations under one joint resolution of disapproval if the regulations were submitted for review during the last 60 legislative days of the final year of a President's term. Currently, each joint resolution may disapprove of only one regulation.
H.R.43 - Injunctive Authority Clarification Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Biggs, Andy [R-AZ-5]	Date Introduced January 4, 2021 Most Recent Action Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet.	This bill prohibits federal courts from issuing injunctive orders that bar enforcement of a federal law or policy against a nonparty, unless the nonparty is represented by a party in a class action lawsuit.
H.R.27 - Settlement Agreement Information Database Act of 2021 Link	Rep. Palmer, Gary J. [R-AL-6]	Date Introduced January 4, 2021 Most Recent Action Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.	This bill requires executive agencies to submit information regarding settlement agreements to a public database. Specifically, an agency must submit information regarding any settlement agreement (including a consent decree) entered into by the agency related to an alleged violation of federal law. If an agency determines that information regarding an agreement must remain confidential to protect the public interest, the agency must

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			publish an explanation of why the information is confidential.

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